

GREENEST CITY NEIGHBOURHOOD SMALL GRANTS

PROJECT IDEAS



The Greenest City Neighbourhood Small Grants is a partnership between the City of Vancouver and Vancouver Foundation to help Vancouver respond to the challenge of climate change. The fund supports resident-led projects that directly help advance the City of Vancouver's climate goals under the [Climate Emergency Action Plan](#) and the [Climate Change Adaptation Strategy](#).

Read on for funding priority areas and project ideas to get you started!

TOP FUNDING PRIORITIES

PROJECTS THAT REDUCE CARBON POLLUTION

Making Homes and Buildings More Energy Efficient

- Invite an energy advisor for heat pump coaching to your strata or neighbourhood (visit [Home Energy Navigator](#) for tips!)
- Run a tour showing neighbours your climate-friendly home improvements

Promoting Green Transportation

- Run bike repair or cycling clinics
- Host a neighbourhood walking or cycling challenge
- Run a carpooling or ridesharing initiative

PROJECTS THAT HELP US ADAPT TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Taking Care of our Forests, Wetlands + Natural Climate Solutions

- Organize a project to plant/care for existing trees
- Host a cleanup of a natural area
- Organize a neighbourhood greening project (e.g. planting drought and disease resistant plants to improve climate resilience)

Preparing for Climate Hazards

- Run a climate preparedness workshop (e.g. what to do in a heatwave - see our [Resilient Neighbourhoods Toolkit](#) for tips!)
- Host a common cool space during heatwaves
- Make and distribute [cool kits](#)

PROJECTS THAT EDUCATE ON CLIMATE + PRIORITIZE CLIMATE JUSTICE

Educating About Climate Solutions

- Host an educational gathering on local climate causes + solutions
- Create neighbourhood art/ signage to inform about climate action
- Organize a neighbourhood climate action fair as part of a block party

Prioritizing Climate Equity + Justice

- Create a program to check on vulnerable neighbours during extreme heat
- Support neighbours with financial barriers to source second-hand bikes
- Host climate education/preparedness workshops in different languages

SECONDARY FUNDING PRIORITIES

PROJECTS THAT SUPPORT LOCAL FOOD + LOW WASTE

Growing + Eating Local, Climate-Friendly Food

- Host an educational workshop about low-carbon diets
- Support sustainable local food production through food gardens

Creating Zero Waste

- Organize repair and reuse initiatives
- Educate your neighbourhood about the importance of food composting